Pirates

# Arrr! Check out some of these Pirate books, Matey!

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**Avi. The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle.** As the lone "young lady" on a transatlantic voyage in 1832, Charlotte learns that the captain is murderous and the crew rebellious.

**Cordingly, David. Pirates: Fact and Fiction.** This text traces the history of piracy from the Spanish Main to the Chiba Sea and examines the realities of pirate life through weapons, navigational instruments, and charts.

**Lee, Tanith. Piratica: Being a Daring Tale of a Singular Girl's Adventure Upon the High Seas.** A bump on the head restores Art's memories of her mother and the exciting life they led, so the sixteen-year-old leaves Angels Academy for Young Maidens, seeks out the pirates who were her family before her mother's death, and leads them back to adventure on the high seas.

**Meyer, L.A. Bloody Jack: Being an Account of the Curious Adventures of Mary "Jacky" Faber, Ship's Boy.** Reduced to begging and thievery in the streets of London, a thirteen-year-old orphan disguises herself as a boy and connives her way onto a British warship set for high sea adventure in search of pirates

**Meyer, L.A. Curse of the Blue Tattoo:** being an account of the misadventures of Jacky Faber, midshipman and fine lady. In 1803, after being exposed as a girl and forced to leave her ship, Jacky Faber finds herself attending school in Boston, where, instead of learning to be a lady, she battles her snobbish classmates, roams the city in search of adventure, and learns to ride a horse.

**Rees, Celia. Pirates! : The True and Remarkable Adventures of Minerva Sharpe and Nancy Kington, Female Pirates**. In 1722, after arriving with her brother at the family's Jamaican plantation where she is to be married off, sixteen-year-old Nancy Kington escapes with her slave friend, Minerva Sharpe, and together they become pirates traveling the world in search of treasure.

**Stevenson, Robert Louis. Treasure Island.** While going through the possessions of a deceased guest who owed them money, the mistress of the inn and her son find a treasure map that leads them to a pirate's fortune.

**Wren, Laura Lee. Pirates and Privateers of the High Seas.** This book describes the lives of some of the most infamous pirates: Sir Francis Drake, Sir Henry Morgan, Henry Avery, Samuel Bellamy and Mary Read.